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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

JP '694 is discussed on pages 2 and 3 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein. US '289 corresponds to JP '694.

JP '439 is discussed on page 3 of the specification and may be relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER'S INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		<b>5,974,289</b>	<b>10/1999</b>	<b>Yamaguchi</b>			
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		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		<b>10-307439</b>	<b>11/1998</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
		<b>11-133694</b>	<b>05/1999</b>	<b>Japan</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
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